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Regulations of the Provincial Planning Committee
of the Imperial Rule Assistance Association.

List of organizations attached to the Association:

Imperial Rule Assistance Manhood Corps.
Japan Women's Association
Japan Industrial Patriotic Service Association
Japan Labor Patriotic Service Association
Agricultural Patriotic Service League
Commercial Patriotic Service Association
Japan Marine Patriotic Service Corps
Japan Youth Corps.

1. Outline of the Practical Activities of the IRAA at this epochal turning point in world history, our Empire, with her policy of bringing about "Hakko ichiu", aims to become the ethical leader of a glorious world by having all her peoples efforts to serve the Emperor, and establishing a spiritually and physically united national structure.

This association strives to establish a strong national defense structure by imbuing its members with the consciousness of being subjects of this empire through mutual help and remonstrance, taking the lead to become the propelling force of the people, and always cooperating with the government as a medium for transmitting the wishes of the government as well as of the people at large. The outline of our practical activities is given below:

1. We endeavor to be faithful loyal subjects. That is we believe in our national structure, which is the manifestation of matchless absolute universal truth, faithfully observe the Imperial rescripts of the successive sovereign, serve the country in our respective posts, and exalt the great Divine Way.

2. We cooperate in the establishment of the Greater East Asia Co-Prosperity Sphere. That is, we endeavor to perfect the co-prosperity structure of Greater East Asia and foster its development and at the same time to establish a new order in the world.

3. We co-operate in the establishment of the IRA political system. That is, we endeavor to make our economy, culture and life permeated by the IRA spirit and to establish an all-round IRA political system.

4. We co-operate in the establishment of the IRA economic system. That is, we endeavor to make the best use of originality, ability and science and to establish an all-round planned economy, whereby to boost production to the greatest extent and achieve self-sufficiency in Greater East Asia.

5. We cooperate in the establishment of a new cultural system. That is, we endeavor to foster a grand, elegant, bright, scientific new Japanese culture based on the national spirit, to stir up internally our national spirit and to enhance externally the culture of the Greater East Asia.

6. We cooperate in the establishment of a new system of living. That is, in accordance with the IRA concept, we endeavor to cultivate the ideal and spirit for pushing forth the new age and as members of one family, loyal to His Majesty and dutiful to our parents, to establish a scientific system of living bound together by a national ideal.

2. Regulations of the IRA Movement.

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Art. I. This movement shall be a movement of the entire people and shall be called the IRA Movement.

Art. II. The object of the movement shall be to establish a people's organization for serving the Emperor with all the people united as one single body and serving in their respective occupations, and facilitate its enforcement, whereby to bring about a structure for the actual observance of the ways of subjects.

Art. III The IRAA shall be instrument for carrying out this movement.

Art. IV The members of this association shall be named by the President from among those who are imbued with the spirit of this movement and actually put it into practice.

Art. V The Association shall have the following officers:

President	One
Vice-President	One
Advisers	Several
Managing Directors	Several

The Presidency shall be assumed by the Prime Minister Vice-President, Advisers and the Managing Directors shall be named by the President.

The term of office of the Managing Directors shall be one year, but this shall not preclude re-appointment.

Art. VI The President shall lead the Association and preside over this movement.

Art. VII The Vice-President shall assist the President and act on his behalf in case the President is unable to perform his duties on account of circumstances.

Art. VIII The Advisers shall respond to the President's Consultations.

Art. IX The Managing Directors shall participate in the management of this Association.

Art. X The Central Headquarters of this Association shall be established in TOKYO.

Art. XI The Secretariate and the Asia Development General Headquarters shall be established within the Central Headquarters. Necessary matters regarding the Asia Development General Headquarters shall be provided for separately.

Art. XII The Secretariate shall have one Secretary-General who shall preside over the business of the Central Headquarters.

Art. XIII The Secretariate shall have several councillors. The Councillors shall participate in the affairs of the Secretariate.

Art. XIV Bureaux shall be established in the Secretariate in order to take charge of the various affairs of the Secretariate. Each bureau shall have a director.

Art. XV The Secretary-General, Councillors and bureau directors shall be named by the President.

Art. XVI (Deleted)

Art. XVII Necessary matters concerning the Secretariate, such as its composition, its jurisdictional affairs, its personnel, etc., other than those provided for herein shall be provided for separately.

Art. XVIII The Central Co-operative Council shall be attached to the Central Headquarters. The Central Co-operative Council shall have one chairman, who shall be named by the President. The term of office of the Chairman shall be one year, but he may be re-appointed. The members of the Central Co-operative Council shall be named by the President.

Art. XIX The President, the Vice-President, the Secretary-General, and the President of the Co-operative Council shall have secretaries each.

Art. XX Branches of this Association shall be established in prefecture and, in Szechwan, districts, cities, towns, villages, or other suitable places. These branches shall have respective co-operative councils attached to them. Each of these Co-operative Councils shall have a president. The composition of the branches shall be provided for separately. The affairs of the branches shall be named by the President.

Art. XXI The term of office of the members of the central and provincial Co-operative Councils shall be one year, but they may be reappointed.

Art. XXII The expenses of this Association shall be defrayed membership fees, the government subsidy, etc.

Art. XXIII The President shall decide upon the establishment or alteration of the Regulations of this Movement.

3. Service Regulations of the Secretariate of the IRAA.

Art. I The Secretary-General shall preside over the affairs of the Central Headquarters under the supervision of the President.

Art. II The following three bureaus shall be established within the Secretariate:

General Affairs Bureau
People's Movement Bureau
Organizations Bureau

Art. III The General Affairs Bureau shall take charge of the following affairs:

1. Matters pertaining to general affairs, documents, personnel affairs and accounts.
2. Matters pertaining to the all-round planning, liaison and adjustment of the affairs of the various bureaus.
3. Matters pertaining to the training of the people.
4. Matters pertaining to various investigations.
5. Matters pertaining to the propagation and propagandization of the IRA Movement.

Art. IV The People's Movement Bureau shall take charge of the following affairs:

1. Matters pertaining to the guidance and supervision of all classes of branches.
2. Matters pertaining to the fostering and guidance of street and village associations, etc.
3. Matters pertaining to the cooperative councils.
4. Matters pertaining to the guidance and renovation of national life.
5. Matters pertaining to the labour-service movement.
6. Matters pertaining to the production boosting movements.
7. Matters pertaining to culture and welfare.

Art. V The Organizations Bureau shall take charge of the following affairs:

1. Matters pertaining to the control of the attached organizations.
2. Matters pertaining to the liaison and adjustment of the various associations engaged in the people's movement.
3. Matters pertaining to the propulsion of the various people's movement.

Art. VI The bureau directors shall attend to the affairs of their respective bureaus under the orders of the President, Vice-President and Secretary-General.

Art. VII The councillors shall participate in the important affairs of the Secretariate at the request of the Secretary-General.

Art. VIII The following five bureaus shall be established within the Secretariate:

General Affairs Division
Accounting Division
Training Division
Investigation Division
Propaganda Division

Art. IX The General Affairs Division shall take charge of the following affairs:

1. Matters pertaining to general affairs, documents, and personnel affairs.
2. Matters pertaining to the liaison and adjustment of the affairs of the various divisions.
3. Matters which do not belong to the other divisions.

Art. X The Accounting Division shall take charge of the accounts.

Art. XI The Training Division shall take charge of the following affairs:

1. Matters pertaining to the enhancement of the national spirit.
2. Matters pertaining to the unification of national thought.
3. Matters pertaining to the general training of the people.
4. Matters pertaining to technical training for national defence.

Art. XII The Investigations Division shall take charge of various investigations.

Art. XIII The Propaganda Division shall take charge of the following affairs:

1. Matters pertaining to the propagation and propagandization of the IRA Movement.
2. Matters pertaining to the collection of domestic and foreign information.

Art. XIV The following four divisions shall be established within the People's Movement Bureau:

Provincial Division
War-time life Division
Production Boosting Division
Cultural and Welfare Division

Art. XV The Provincial Division shall take charge of the following affairs:

1. Matters pertaining to the guidance and supervision of all classes of branches.
2. Matters pertaining to the fostering and guidance of street and village associations, etc.

3. Matters pertaining to the co-operative councils.
4. Matters pertaining to the inspection of the degree of penetration of the government's mandate among the people and the circumstances of people.
5. Matters pertaining to election reforms.
6. Matters pertaining to the general affairs of the bureau.

Art. XVI The War-time Life Division shall take charge of the following affairs:

1. Matters pertaining to the guidance and renovation of national life.
2. Matters pertaining to the National Life Consultation Office.
3. Matters pertaining to the savings encouragement Movement.

Art. XVII The Production Boosting Division shall take charge of the following affairs:

1. Matters pertaining to the movement for boosting the production of agricultural, forest and marine products.
2. Matters pertaining to the movement for boosting the production in important industries.
3. Matters pertaining to the labour-service movement.

Art. XVIII The Cultural and Welfare Division shall take charge of the following affairs:

1. Matters pertaining to the cultural movement.
2. Matters pertaining to the sound health movement.

Art. XIX The following two divisions shall be established within organizations Bureau:

Organizations Division
Propulsion Division

Art. XX The Organizations Division shall take charge of the following affairs:

1. Matters pertaining to the control of the attached organizations.

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2. Matters pertaining to the liaison and adjustment of the various organizations engaged in the people's movement.

3. Matters pertaining to the general affairs of the Bureau.

Art. XXI The Propulsion Division shall take charge of the affairs pertaining to the people's movement.

Art. XXII Each division shall have a division chief, assistant-chief and managers.

The division chief shall preside over the affairs of the division under the orders of his superiors.

The assistant-chief shall assist the division chief and attend to the affairs of the division.

The managers shall attend to the respective portions of the affairs of the division.

The President shall appoint the division chiefs, assistant-chiefs and managers.

Art. XXIII The divisions shall have their respective staff members and clerks.

The staff members and clerks shall attend to the business under the direction of their superiors.

The Secretary-General shall appoint the staff members and clerks.

Art. XXIV The bureaus and divisions may have non-regular staff members.

The non-regular staff members shall attend to specified business.

The Secretary-General shall commission the non-regular staff members.

Art. XXV Squads may be established in each division. Matters to be handled by the squads and other necessary matters concerning the squads shall be decided by the Secretary-General.

Supplementary Regulations.

These regulations shall be enforced from Oct. 15, 1943. The present Service Regulations of the Secretariate of the IRAA are hereby abolished.

4. Regulations of the Asia Development General Headquarters of the IRAA.

Art. I The Asia Development General Headquarters of the IRAA shall be placed under immediate control of the President of the IRAA and shall take charge of the following matters for carrying out the Asia Development movement in accordance with the purport of the Regulations of the IRA Movement.

1. Popularization and inculcation of the Asia Development ideology.

2. The guidance, mediation and training of persons going overseas.

3. The guidance of the Asiatic peoples residing in Japan.

4. The adjustment and liaison of the works of the various Asia Development organizations.

5. The liaison and cooperation between the various Asia-Development organizations in all parts of the Greater East Asia.

6. The introduction of the actual circumstances of the local areas.

7. The collection and investigation of and research on materials necessary for the introduction of the actual conditions of the various local areas.

Art. II The Asia Development General Headquarters shall have a president ("tonri"), who shall be appointed by the President of the IRAA. The President shall preside over the affairs of the headquarters.

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Art. III A Board of Advisers, consisting of the president and the advisers of the Asia Development General Headquarters shall be established in the Asia Development General Headquarters. The Board of Advisers shall respond to consultations of the President (of the IRAA).

The President (of the IRAA) shall commission the Advisers of the Asia Development General Headquarters.

Art. IV The Asia Development General Headquarters shall have Councilors, who shall be named by the President (of the IRAA).

The Councilors shall respond to consultations of the President of the Asia Development General Headquarters concerning the management of the Asia Development General Headquarters.

Art. V The Asia Development General Headquarters shall have one Chief of Headquarters, who shall be named by the President (of the IRAA). The Chief of Headquarters shall manage the affairs of the Asia Development General Headquarters under the order of the President (of the Asia Development General Headquarters).

Art. VI Bureaus shall be established in the Asia Development General Headquarters to attend to various affairs of the Headquarters. Each bureau shall have a director. The bureau directors shall be named by the President (of the IRAA). The bureau directors shall attend to the affairs of their respective bureaus under the orders of their superiors.

Art. VII A Co-operative Council shall be attached to the Asia Development General Headquarters. Necessary matters concerning the cooperative council shall be provided for separately.

Art. VIII Various types of investigation committees may be established within the Asia Development General Headquarters. Necessary matters concerning the investigation committees shall be provided for separately.

Art. IX The composition, jurisdictional affairs, personnel, and other necessary matters concerning the Asia Development General Headquarters, other than those provided for in these regulations shall be provided for separately.

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Art. X The term of office of the officers of the Asia Development General Headquarters shall be one year, but this shall not preclude reappointment or re-commission.

Art. XI The President (of the IRAA) shall decide upon the establishment or alteration of these regulations or other regulations concerning the Asia Development General Headquarters.

Art. XII The staff members, branches and liaison office of the former Asia Development League of Japan (Dai Nippon Koa Renmei), shall be taken over by the Asia Development General Headquarters and dealt with properly the future.

5. Service Regulations of the Asia Development General Headquarters:

Art. I A council chamber and the following two bureaus shall be established within the Asia Development General Headquarters:

General Affairs Bureau
Practice Bureau ("Jissen Kyoku")

Art. II The Council chamber shall consist of the staff members of the Asia Development General Headquarters, the staff members of the Secretariate of the IRA, and the officials of the government offices concerned. It deliberates on the planning and drafting of the basic outlines of the works of the headquarters.

Art. III The General Affairs Bureau shall take charge of the following matters:

1. Matters pertaining to general affairs, documents, personnel and accounts.
2. Matters pertaining to liaison and adjustment of the works of the various bureaus.
3. Matters pertaining to the meetings of the board of advisers, cooperative council, and investigation committees, and other meetings.
4. Matters pertaining to the popularization of the Asia Development ideology, introduction of the actual circumstances of the local areas, bulletins, magazines, and other publications.

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5. Matters pertaining to the all-round planning of the works of the bureaus and divisions.

6. Matters pertaining to the investigation and researches on the Asia Development movement.

7. Matters coming under the jurisdiction of the Asia Development General Headquarters which do not belong to the other bureaus.

Art. IV The following four divisions shall be established within the General Affairs Bureau:

General Affairs Division
Propaganda Division
Conference Division
Investigations Division

Art. V The General Affairs Division shall attend to the following matters:

1. Matters pertaining to general affairs.
2. Matters pertaining to documents.
3. Matters pertaining to personnel affairs.
4. Matters pertaining to accounts.
5. Matters pertaining to members, branches and liaison section.

Art. VI The Propaganda Division shall attend to the following matters:

1. Matters pertaining to the popularization of the Asia Development ideology.
2. Matters pertaining to the introduction of the actual circumstances of the local areas.
3. Matters pertaining to bulletins, magazines and other publications.

Art. VII The Conference Division shall attend to the following matters:

1. Matters pertaining to the cooperative council.
2. Matters pertaining to the advisory council.
3. Matters pertaining to the holding of other meetings, excluding those of the investigation committees.

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Art. VIII The Investigations Division shall attend to the following matters:

1. Matters pertaining to the investigation of and research on the Asia Development movement.
2. Matters pertaining to the collection, investigation and research on materials necessary for the introduction of the actual circumstances of the local areas.
3. Matters pertaining to the all-round planning of the works of the various bureaus and divisions.
4. Matters pertaining to the liaison and adjustment of the works of the various bureaus and divisions.
5. Matters pertaining to the planning of matters under special orders.

Art. IX The Practice Bureau shall take charge of the following matters:

1. Matters pertaining to the liaison and adjustment of the works of the Asia Development investigation and research organizations and Asia Development enterprise organizations.
2. Matters pertaining to the liaison and co-operation between the Asia Development organizations in the various areas of Greater East Asia.
3. Matters pertaining to the guidance of the Far Eastern peoples residing in Japan.
4. Matters pertaining to the education and religions of the Greater East Asiatic peoples.
5. Matters pertaining to the welfare, social work and other cultural works of the Greater East Asiatic peoples.
6. Matters pertaining to the training of persons going overseas.

8. Matters pertaining to the consultations regarding the situation of Greater East Asia.

Art. X The following three divisions and the Asia Development Training Hall shall be established within the Practice Bureau. The regulations of the Training Hall shall be provided for separately.

Enterprise Division
Guidance Division
Training Division

Art. XI The Enterprise Division shall attend to the following matters:

1. Matters pertaining to the liaison and adjustment of the Asia Development investigation and research organizations.
2. Matters pertaining to the liaison and adjustment of the Asia Development enterprise organizations.
3. Matters pertaining to the liaison and co-operation between the Asia Development organizations in the various areas of Greater East Asia.
4. Matters pertaining to the education and religions of the various Greater East Asiatic peoples.
5. Matters pertaining to the welfare, social work and other cultural enterprises of the various Greater East Asiatic peoples.
6. Matters pertaining to the guidance of, and mediation for, persons going overseas.
7. Matters pertaining to consultations regarding the situation in Greater East Asia.

Art. XII The Guidance Division shall attend to the following matters:

1. Matters pertaining to the guidance of the Greater East Asiatic people residing in Japan.
2. Matters pertaining to the guidance of the Greater East Asiatic students in Japan.

Art. XIII The Training Division shall attend to the following matters:

1. Matters pertaining to the training of persons going overseas.

Art. XIV Each division shall have a division chief, assistant-chief, managers, staff members, and clerks.

Art. XV Bureaus and divisions may employ non-regular staff members.

Supplementary Regulations.

These regulations shall be enforced from Oct 25, 1943.

The existing Service Regulations of the Asia Development General Headquarters of the IRAA are hereby abolished.

6. Regulations of the Branches of the IRAA.

Art. I A branch of the IRAA shall be established in TOKYO-TO, Hokkaido, each prefecture, and Saghalien, each county ("gun"), or district under the jurisdiction of a district office, each city, town, village, or each ward of TOKYO-TO and of the 5 largest cities. In the case of countries which have few towns and villages, one branch may be established for two or more countries.

Art. II Each branch shall have the following officers. However, in case a branch in a county, a ward of a city (the 5 largest cities excluded), a town or a village, sets up advisers and councillors, the approval of the chief of the branch for each prefecture, TOKYO-TO, Hokkaido, or Saghalien shall be necessary.

One chief
Several standing committee members
Several advisers

In case of the branch for TOKYO-TO, Hokkaido, prefectures, Saghalien, or one of the 5 largest cities, some of the committeemen or councillors may be made standing committeemen or councillors.

Art. III The chiefs of the branches for TOKYO-TO, Hokkaido, prefectures, and Saghalien shall be commissioned by the President (of the IRAA) while the other officers of the branches shall be named or commissioned by the President on the recommendation of the chiefs of the branches for TOKYO-TO, or Saghalien.

The term of office of the officers shall be one year, but this shall not preclude reappointment or re-commission.

Art. IV The chiefs of branches shall preside over their direction of the President and Chiefs of superior branches.

The standing committee shall assist the chief of branch master and participate in the management of the branch.

The advisers shall respond to the consultations of the chief of branch.

The councillors shall participate in the planning and activities of the branch.

Art. V Intermediaries ("sewayaku" and "sewanin") shall be set up in each street association or their union, each village association, neighborhood association or their union in order to fully carry out the guidance program of this association.

The posts of "sewayaku" shall be filled by the heads of street associations, heads of the union of street associations and the heads of village association, while the posts of "sewanin" shall be filled by the representatives of neighborhood associations and the union of neighborhood associations.

Other matters necessary for the guidance of the street association, their unions, village associations, neighborhood associations and their unions, other than those provided for in this article, shall be provided for separately.

Art. VI Co-operative committees shall be established in the branches for TOKYO-TO, Hokkaido, prefectures, and Saghalien.

Necessary matters concerning the cooperative committee shall be provided for separately.

Art. VII A secretariate shall be established within each branch to attend to the affairs of each branch.

Art. VIII A General Affairs Division and the Practice Division shall be established within the secretariate of the branches for TOKYO-TO, Hokkaido, Prefectures, and SAGHALIEN.

The General Affairs Division shall attend to the general affairs, training, cooperative council, propaganda, and other matters which do not belong to other divisions.

The Practice Division shall attend to the fostering and guidance of street associations, village associations, etc., the guidance of wartime life, movements for labour-service, greater production, culture and welfare, and the liaison between and control of all the organizations engaged in the people's movement, a Training Division may be established.

The Training Division shall attend to matters pertaining to training.

The chiefs of branches may apportion the business suitable according to the actual circumstances of each district.

Art. IX The secretariates of the branches for TOKYO-TO, Hokkaido, prefectures, and SAGHALIEN shall have a

The Chief Secretary shall attend to the business of the branch under the orders of the Chief of Branch.

The Division Chiefs shall attend to the business of his division under the orders of their superiors.

The President (of the IRAA) shall name the chief secretaries and division chief secretaries and division chiefs on the recommendation of the Chiefs of Branches.

The managers shall attend to their respective business under the orders of their superiors.

The staff members and clerks shall attend to business under the direction of their superiors.

The chiefs of branches shall appoint the managers, staff members and clerks.

Art. X The provisions of the two preceding articles shall correspondingly apply to the secretariates of the branches in the five largest cities.

Art. XI The secretariate of the branch for each county or city (excluding the five largest cities) or ward shall have a chief secretary, staff members, and clerks.

The chief secretary shall attend to the business of the branch under the orders of the chief of branch for the county, city, or ward.

The staff members and clerks shall attend to their business under the direction of their superiors.

The chief secretary, staff members, and clerks shall be appointed by the chief of branch for TOKYO-TO, Hokkaido, prefecture, or SAGHALIEN (in the case of the five largest cities, the chief of branch for the city on the recommendation of the chief of branch for the county, city (the 5 largest cities excluded) or ward concerned.

The secretariate of the branch for a town or a village shall employ necessary staff members.

Art XII A co-operative council shall be established in each branch, but the part of the cooperative council for a city (the 5 largest cities excluded), a ward, a town, or a village shall be filled by the monthly meeting of the city, ward, town, or village associations.

Art XIII The members of the cooperative council shall be named or commissioned by the President (of the IRAA) from among those mentioned below according to their respective classifications on the recommendation of the chief of branch for TOKYO-TO, Hokkaido Prefecture, or SAGHALIEN.

1. In the case of the cooperative council of TOKYO-TO, Hokkaido Prefecture, or SAGHALIEN..

a. Members of the cooperative councils for counties cities and wards (wards of TOKYO-TO). However, at least one member shall be named from each county, city and ward (ward of TOKYO-TO).

b. Representatives of the various organizations.

c. Members of the TOKYO-TO Assembly, Hokkaido Assembly or prefectural Assemblies.

d. Other suitable persons.

2. In the case of cooperative councils for the five largest cities.

a. Members of the ward cooperative councils. However at least one member shall be named from each ward.

b. Representatives of various organizations.

- c. Members of the municipal councils.
- d. Other suitable persons.

3. In the case of county cooperative councils.

- a. Members of the cooperative councils of towns and villages. However, at least one member shall be named from each town or village.
- b. Representatives of various organizations.
- c. Other suitable persons.

Art. XIV The fixed number of the members of the cooperative councils shall be from thirty to eighty in the case of TOKYO-TO, Hokkaido prefecture, SAGHALIEN and the five largest cities, and twenty to sixty in the case of counties. However, in the case of counties with more than 50 towns and villages, the number may be increased to 70.

Art. XV The Chairmen of the cooperative councils shall be named by the President (of the IRAA) on the recommendation of the chief of the branch for TOKYO-To, Hokkaido, prefectures, or SAGHALIEN.

Art. XVI The cooperative councils shall be convoked by the chiefs of branch. The cooperative councils shall be held twice or more a year.

The session of the cooperative councils shall be not more than 3 days in the case of those for TOKYO-To, Hokkaido, prefectures and SAGHALIEN, councils and not more than two days in the case of other cooperative councils. The sessions, however, may be extended as occasion demands.

Art. XVII The expenses of the branches shall be defrayed by subsidies from the headquarters, and other incomes.

Art. XVIII Notwithstanding these regulations, separate regulations may be provided for SAGHALIEN.

Supplementary Regulations.

These regulations shall be enforced from Nov. 3, 1943.
The existing regulations of the branches of the IRAA are hereby abolished.